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Dear Student, Parent & Carers

We are writing to let you know about the fantastic new resources which will be available to all students interested in exploring their future careers, aspirations and pathways after school.

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** will see the launch of our all new **Careers Club** for students in years 7-8 and **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** for students in years 9-13. These clubs will run every week after school from 2.40-3.40pm and will provide students with the opportunity to research how GCSE's and/or A-Levels, interests and skills can shape their futures. Staff will also be on hand to offer support and guidance on these important next steps.

Student will also be kept up to date with future ready content in our all new **Aspirations & Careers Bulletin**. This fortnightly bulletin will provide a roundup of useful information, open days, events and careers information which will help students make more informed decision about their futures. The bulletin will be emailed to all students, sent via MyEd and uploaded to our website once launched.

Enclosed to this letter you will find a copy of the very first Aspirations & Careers Bulletin along with more details on the Careers Club.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr Delgado**

Associate Assistant Head 14-19 Pathways

**Mrs Towers**

Progression Officer

Headteacher: Tina Smith  
CEO, Beckfoot Trust: Shirley Watson  
Chair of Academy Trustees: John Winkley

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Hello and welcome to the very first Aspirations and Careers Bulletin! This is your one stop shop for all things careers. Each edition of the bulletin we will bring you all the latest information on apprenticeships, upcoming subject taster days, university open days, competitions and much much more...

## BECKFOOT OAKBANK'S ASPIRATIONS & CAREERS BULLETIN



### INTRODUCING THE CAREERS CLUB

Come and join us every week at the Careers club to discuss how your GCSE's, skills, interests and hobbies can shape what you can do after you leave school.

Launching on Tuesday 2nd November for Years 7-8 and Wednesday 3rd November for Year 9-13 the careers club is an informal opportunity to ask any questions you may have or to simply use



### CRAVEN COLLEGE OPENING EVENING

When: 22nd November 5.30-7.30pm  
Who: Y11

Craven College are hosting an opening evening at their Aireville campus. Learn more about the range of courses on offer to students after year 11.

Sign up here:  
<https://tinyurl.com/w8yvzp77>



### VIRTUAL UNITED KINGDOM HIGHER EDUCATION EXPO

When: 24th November  
Who: Y11, Y12, Y13

Registration is now open! Sign up for your chance to find out more about a range of universities, the courses they offer and the opportunities for live Q&A with university staff.

Sign up here:  
<https://bit.ly/3CWsc3U>

### JOB OF THE WEEK

#### ACTUARY

**Salary:** £32,000 (average)

**Qualifications:** A-Levels and a degree (ideally maths based)

**Skills req'd:** Maths, business, problem solving, organisation, attention to detail

Take a look at this short video for more info:  
<https://binged.it/3CSVABI>

### GO HIGHER WEST YORKSHIRE



Go Higher West Yorkshire (GHWY) is a collaboration of the 13 Higher Education (HE) Providers in West Yorkshire with the aim to improve access to HE. GHWY are the delivery partner for the Uni Connect Project which aims to ensure that all who have the potential to progress into HE have the opportunity to do so. Miss Towers is based in school to work with students in Years 9-13 to provide support, information and opportunities to help students make informed decisions about their futures.

### CAREERS TEAM

- \* Mrs Towers—Progression Officer
- \* Shona Stone—Careers Advisor
- \* Mr Delgado—14-19 pathways

Come and find us in G10

# ASPIRATIONS & CAREERS BULLETIN

## UNIVERSITY FOCUS:



Build your future with Leeds Trinity — the small University with a big reputation. They are renowned for producing highly employable graduates, thanks to the professional work placements included with every undergraduate degree.

Studying at Leeds Trinity will make you part of a distinctively supportive university community where you're a name, not a number. Students receive the personal support they need – in and out of the classroom – to achieve their full potential.

They are one of the smallest universities in the country so class sizes are small and you'll get to know your lecturers (and each other) better because of this.

## APPRENTICESHIPS

**WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP?** An apprenticeship is a paid job where the employee learns and gains valuable experiences. Alongside on-the-job training, apprentices spend at least 20% of their working hours completing classroom-based learning with a college, university or training provider which leads to a nationally recognised qualification.

**WHO CAN APPLY?** Opportunities are available for anyone over the age of 16.

**WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE?** <https://bit.ly/3ibMhVW>

## COMPETITION

If you could study any course at college or university what would it be? we would love to know what your ideal course would look like, whether it's a Lego degree or Fantasy Football Management degree!

Let us know;

\* **Course name**

\* **Brief overview of the course**

\* **Any skills or knowledge required for the course**

\* **Why this course should be real**

For your chance to win a spot prize email Mrs Towers [oakto@oakbank.org.uk](mailto:oakto@oakbank.org.uk) or drop your entry off at G10 by 8th November

## LABOUR MARKET INFO

The Labour market, also sometimes known as the jobs market, relates to the availability of work and the supply and demand for skills and jobs.

A recent report showed that the more people were needed with degree's in;

1. Engineering & Technology
2. Mathematical and computer sciences
3. Physical/environmental sciences
4. Historical & philosophical studies
5. Languages
6. Creative Arts & Design
7. Business & Financial studies
8. Mass communication & documentation
9. Agricultural sciences
10. Biological Sciences



More people were needed with apprenticeships in;

1. Engineering & manufacturing technologies
2. Science & Maths
3. Health, public services & care
4. Art, Media & publishing
5. Business, administration, finance & law
6. History, philosophy and theology
7. Agricultural horticulture & animal care
8. Social services
9. Information & comms technology
10. Languages, literature & culture





# The Career Club

Starts Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Come and join us at the Careers Club and discuss how your GCSE, skills and interests can help shape what you can do after school

## Years 7-8

Every **Tuesday** with Shona Stone  
2:40 – 3:40

Meet in the Sixth Form Common  
Room

Refreshments provided

## Years 9-13

Every **Wednesday** with Mrs  
Towers

2:40 – 3:40

Meet in the Sixth Form Common  
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## The Careers Team

- Do you want to research a career you are interested in?
- **Do you already know what career you want to do, but need more advice from our careers team?**
- Or do you simply need good honest advice and guidance?

**Mrs Towers –  
Progression  
Officer (G10)**

**Shona Stone –  
Careers Advisor  
(Library)**

**Mr Delgado –  
14-19 Pathways  
(G10)**